

West Virginia Health Care Innovation Initiative
February 19, 2014
One Davis Square, Conference Room 134
Meeting Notes

In Person Participants:

Karen Bowling, Secretary, DHHR
Jeremiah Samples, DHHR
Nancy Sullivan, DHHR
Chris Clark, GOHELP
Anne Williams, WV DHHR/Bureau for Public Health
Harry Tweel, Cabell-Huntington Health Department
Helen Matheny, West Virginia Healthy Lifestyle Coalition
Arnie Hassen, WV School of Osteopathic Medicine
Richard Wittberg, Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department
John Wiesendanger, WVMU and Quality Insights
Bob Whitler, CAMC/Partners in Health Network
Ted Cheatham, PEIA
Dave Campbell, WV Health Improvement Institute
Lorenzo Pence, WV School of Osteopathic Medicine
Vickie Jones, Bureau for Behavioral Health and Health Facilities
Laura Boone, Higher Education Policy Commission
Michael Adelman, WV School of Osteopathic Medicine
Jim Nemitz, WV School of Osteopathic Medicine
Debrin Jenkins, West Virginia Rural Health Association
John Earles, Logan Healthcare Foundation
Hillary Payne, PEIA
April Vestal – HEPC & WVU
Cindy Hanna – CAMC
Jim Kranz – WV Hospital Association
Christena Ross – CAMC
Amanda McCarty – DHHR - Bureau for Public Health
Chris Zinn – Hospice Council of WV
Perry Bryant, WV's for Affordable Health Care
William Maclean – WVU Health Sciences
Richard Wittberg – Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department
Robert Roswall, BOSS
Phil Weikle, WVHIN
Crystal Welch – WV Medical Institute
Larry Malone – WV Health Improvement Institute
Kristi Williams Dumas – Federal Bureau of Prisons
Brandon Merrit – WV Center on Budget and Policy
Dan Foster – CAMC
Sherri Ferrell – WV Primary Care Association
Debbie Waller, GOHELP

Conference Call Participants:

Ken Devlin, DHHR – Bureau for Medical Services
Mary Goessler, Highmark
Renate Pore, WV Center on Budget and Policy
Louise Reese, WV Primary Care Association
Alan Ducatman, WVU, School of Medicine
Lesley Cottrell, WVU, School of Medicine
Jason Roush, Bureau for Public Health, Office of Maternal, Child and Family Health
Sarah Chouinard, Community Care of WV
Cindy Kittle, Coalition for a Tobacco-Free West Virginia
Dana King, WVU Department of Family Medicine
Jennifer Gibson – Council on Aging
Janine Breyel, WV Perinatal Partnership
Kathleen Stoll, Families USA
Pam Stevens, Government Relations Specialists
David Jude, Marshall University
Karen Fitzpatrick, WVU Department of Family Medicine
Lesley Cottrell, WVU, School of Medicine
Louise Reese, WV Primary Care Association
Wayne Miller, WV School of Osteopathic Medicine
Tony Martinelli, Wheeling Hospital
James Becker, DHHR, Bureau for Medical Services
Amy Weintraub, WV Free
Ruth Flemings, WV Nurses Association
Nancy Tyler, WV Nurses Association and Home Care Association of WV, Inc.
Jeff Coben, CAMC
Georgia Narsavage, WVU, Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center

Secretary Bowling opened the meeting and welcomed everyone in attendance. Our goal at this point is to get the three work groups started. Participants can select a work group to participate in depending on their area of interest.

The Secretary felt it was a good idea for the work groups to meet once a month, either in person or by conference call, and they could report to the full team on a quarterly basis. A staff person will facilitate each work group. The group agreed to this format. If anyone is interested in leading a group or co-leading a group, you can share with the staff person.

- Better Health – Nancy Sullivan
- Better Care – Chris Clark
- Lower Cost – Jeremiah Samples

Secretary Bowling turned the meeting over to Nancy Sullivan who presented a powerpoint presentation with the work group responsibilities, individuals who have signed up to participate in the three workgroups, and health priorities. At the first meeting of the Health Innovation Collaborative, participants submitted their top three priorities. These priorities were broken down into 10 specific topics: Regional Health Concerns and Priorities, Integrated Health Care System, Women's Maternal Infant Health, Health and Nutrition Education, Public Health, Disease Prevention/Management, Behavioral Health/Mental Health, Health Care Utilization, Practice Transformation, and Infrastructure.

After much discussion, it was decided that instead of breaking down each priority within a certain work group, to break down the main topic into each work group. It would be the work group's responsibility to look at the priorities and choose priorities they would want to tackle. The table below shows the topics assigned to the appropriate work group and the assigned staff person. The workgroups need to lead the charge. DHHR will be involved to provide any resources, tools, etc. that are needed by the workgroups.

TOPIC	Better Health	Better Care	Lower Cost
Regional Health Concerns and Priorities			Jeremiah Samples
Integrated Health Care System			Jeremiah Samples
Infrastructure			Jeremiah Samples
Women's Maternal/Infant Health	Nancy Sullivan		
Health and Nutrition Education	Nancy Sullivan		
Public Health	Nancy Sullivan		
Disease Prevention/Management	Nancy Sullivan		
Behavioral Health/Mental Health		Chris Clark	
Health Care Utilization		Chris Clark	
Practice Transformation		Chris Clark	

If participants are interested in volunteering to participate in one of the three workgroups, they can email any of the persons below:

Jeremiah Samples, DHHR – jeremiah.samples@wv.gov
 Nancy Sullivan – DHHR - nancy.j.sullivan@wv.gov
 Chris Clark – GOHLEP - chris.r.clark@wv.gov
 Julie Palas – GOHELP - julie.c.palas@wv.gov
 Debbie Waller – GOHELP - deborah.k.waller@wv.gov

Chris Clark shared a fact sheet on the WV Health Innovation Collaborative and information on the NASHP 4th State Consortium to Advance Medical Homes in Medicaid and CHIP: “Building Primary Care Infrastructure through Public-Private Medical Home Pilots” and the National Governor’s Association State Policy Academy: “Developing State-Level Capacity to Support Super-Utilizers”.

Mr. Clark also shared some tools that he is working on to better share information with the collaborative. He is working on a website for the collaborative and will send out the link to the site to everyone. The site will also contain discussion forums, etc. A listserv has already been set up for the Collaborative.

WV_HEALTH_IMPROVEMENT_COLLABORAT@LISTSERV.WVNET.EDU

Amanda McCarty, Bureau for Public Health shared a powerpoint presentation with the group entitled “Our State of Health”. West Virginia ranks among the bottom in America’s Health Rankings, as of 2013. She reported on demographics, contributing factors, health access and

quality, the human cost of chronic disease, etc. The workgroups can gather statistics and other health related information from the Bureau for Public Health as needed. The bureau is an excellent resource to the group as well as other bureaus within DHHR.

Work group participants will be contacted by their staff person to assist in getting meetings set up and next steps.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.